

LOCAL OPTION IS THEME PRESENTED AT MASS MEETING

Closing Session of County Convention of Dry Forces Held at Skating Rink.

RAISE FUNDS FOR FIGHT

F. Scott McBride Declares Rockford Pesters Are Exaggerated—Morrow on National Campaign.

The county convention of dry workers closed last evening with a mass meeting at the skating rink. Five hundred supporters of the local option cause braved the elements for the purpose of hearing noted state and national lecturers discuss the issues of the 37th prohibition campaign.

The session was to start at 7:30, but was delayed, owing to the late arrival of the speakers. Prof. Thacker, temperance singer, opened with several songs. J. H. Hunsberger, leader of the local campaign, presided and introduced F. Scott McBride, state representative. Mr. McBride reviewed the work already accomplished throughout the state.

"The liquor interests misrepresent facts and will not fight square," he declared. He claimed that the posters of various stores in dry Rockford were exaggerated and untrue, and also that the hotels in that city were more prosperous under the dry administration than ever before.

Take Oath. George W. Morrow, field secretary of the national forces, commenced his address by asking all present to arise and take the following covenant: "With God's help, we will see this thing through." He was present at a meeting in Columbus, Ohio, where 1,000 men from every state in the union met and formed the Anti-Saloon League of America. Last December a delegation of citizens, 1,700 strong, marched up to the capitol building in Washington and presented resolutions for national prohibition. A five year campaign has been mapped out, and \$50,000 for the state and \$100,000 for the country will be needed to carry on this work. The local people were urged to assist in this work, and a good sum was collected last night.

John J. Woolley, at one time prohibition candidate for president, closed the meeting with his talk. He stated that the present Anti-Saloon League is an outgrowth of the old prohibition party, with political feeling and party lines eliminated. He said prohibition speakers were formerly accorded little attention, but that the matter is now looked upon in an entirely different light and the conservative business men are beginning to take an interest in the campaign, and with their assistance the project could be carried through.

Simply Prohibition. At the county convention luncheon at noon Mr. Woolley had made a point that he was glad now in discussing the present local option campaign, to be permitted by those in charge of it to apply the phrase "prohibition" for on his last visit here under similar conditions, he was cautioned by the committee in charge of the local option campaign not to use the word "prohibition," as it might be injurious to the cause. Now the men who believed in prohibition are out in the open.

GIVEN \$5 A WEEK IN PENSION LAW

Mrs. Cora Bennett of Moline was allowed \$5 a week, under the mothers' pension law by Judge H. S. Bell in the county court this morning. Her husband has been physically incapacitated for over a year and a half, and he is now in Davenport. Mrs. Bennett has one child and was in very destitute circumstances, having only \$3 to \$4 a week toward their support. The court found it a very worthy case, and one of the first allowances made under this law, where the husband was still living.

NOTICE: All members of Independence Camp No. 26, M. W. of A., are hereby notified that beginning Monday, February 9, all meetings of the Camp will be held at K. of C. hall, formerly the Y. M. C. A. building, corner of Nineteenth street and Third avenue. Entrance on Nineteenth street. Meetings called promptly at 7:30 p. m.

M. T. STEVENS, Consul.

ELMER F. JOHNSON, Clerk.

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OLDEST BAKER IN THE CITY RETIRES



John Polzin.

John Polzin, Rock Island's oldest baker, has sold his establishment at 1917 Fourth avenue to J. W. Quinlan. Mr. Quinlan is a Rock Island man and for many years has been a Ganzert Candy company salesman.

Mr. Polzin has been in the bakery business all his life, having learned the trade when a boy in Germany. He came to this country bringing with him his bride, 22 years ago, and settled at once in Rock Island. The enterprising young German looked around for a good place to ply his trade.

His first venture was the establishment of the Eagle bakery on Eleventh street. Here he worked and prospered for many years, finally selling out and starting a new bakery on Twenty-first street. This he called the Range. Twenty years ago he sold this second bakery and moved into a third, the Polzin, on Fourth avenue. All three of these bakeries are doing a successful business today.

In his bakery he has worked from daylight daily until the recent sale to J. W. Quinlan. Mr. Polzin has been a part of and a sharer in the development of the city. He has prospered as only the energetic German can; and now, after the sale of his third successful bakery he will rest.

DEMOCRATS HEAR J. H. REED SPEAK

Prominent Missouri Senator Delivers Principal Address at Davenport Meeting.

A large and enthusiastic rally of the democrats was held last night in the Turner opera house in Davenport. In the interests of Henry Vollmer, candidate for congressman in the Second Iowa district at the coming election to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of the Hon. I. S. Pepper of Muscatine, Senator J. H. Reed of Missouri making the principal address. Almost a thousand democrats were present in spite of the extreme weather conditions and great interest and enthusiasm was shown.

Senator Reed spoke on the excellent qualifications of Mr. Vollmer for the office and predicted success for Mr. Vollmer also made a short address, and several other prominent democrats were heard.

Senator Reed said that it was not so much the election of another democrat that was desired, but that the issue was the upholding of the national administration. Ex-Congressman Martin J. Wade also delivered an address, and was followed by Candidate Henry Vollmer, who on account of his extreme hoarseness, spoke briefly. He pledged himself heartily in favor of all the policies of the late Congressman I. S. Pepper, and will carry out his program to the best of his ability if elected. Judge Nathaniel French, who presided at the rally, spoke in favor of the government manufacture of arms and ammunition of war, which has been so warmly advocated by Hon. Clyde H. Tavenner, congressman from this district.

POLICE NEWS

William Reed, a genuine hobo, arrested last night by Officer Johnson for disorderly conduct, was arraigned this morning before Police Magistrate C. J. Smith, and fined \$50 and costs. He was unable to pay and was taken to the county jail to serve a 10 days sentence.

BUFORD POST TO HOLD A SPECIAL MEETING

John Buford post No. 243, G. A. R., will hold a special meeting at the Memorial hall in the court house Monday evening. This session will be devoted entirely to pressing business matters which have to be disposed of, and all members have been urged to request to attend.

Public Notice.

A mass convention of socialists will be called Feb. 17 at Industrial hall, Rock Island for purpose of nominating the following township officers. One supervisor, four assistant supervisors, collector, assessor, constable and town clerk.

J. DOERING, Chairman.
EDGAR OWENS, Secretary of Township Committee.
(Adv.)

UNION OPPOSES THE DRY ISSUE

Cigarmakers Pass Resolution Against Local Option—Favor Municipal League.

Resolutions opposing local option and promising support to the Municipal league, the "wet" organization, were unanimously adopted last evening by Cigarmakers' local union No. 201, at a meeting held in Industrial hall. A committee composed of Thomas Lillis, H. J. Hulsbrink, W. E. Anderson, Emil Sidel and George Ward was appointed to cooperate with the Municipal league.

The resolutions follow: Whereas, There is a movement on foot, which is secretly fostered by the prohibitionists, who have contrived large sums of money to the funds to support the local option fight; and,

Whereas, The local optionists believe that they can deceive the laboring people in voting for such a proposition, they have succeeded in wiping out of existence two of the strongest unions in this country, namely, the bartenders' and brewery workers', and practically annihilated the cigarmakers' union, whose existence depends on the loyalty and support of the former unions; and,

Whereas, This proposition will sadly cripple the coopers, glass-blowers, blacksmiths, horseshoers, wagon makers, printers, engravers, brass workers, metal polishers, tanners, carpenters, firemen, bricklayers, carpenters, woodworkers, plumbers, teamsters, and various other organizations, thereby throwing thousands upon thousands of trades unionists out of employment; and,

Whereas, At the coming spring election a vote will be taken to decide whether this township shall be declared anti-saloon territory. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Cigarmakers' local union No. 201 of Rock Island follow in the footsteps of the Tri-City Federation of Labor, and various other organizations, in the stand they have taken against local option, and go on record as opposed to the adoption of such a measure, believing that its adoption is a detriment to the progress of business interests of the city as well as being the means of depriving a large army of trades unionists of a means of livelihood and forcing them into other crafts, which are already overcrowded.

THOMAS LILLIS, President.
H. J. HULSBRING, Fin. Sec.
W. E. ANDERSON, Treasurer.

OBITUARY

Funeral of Hans A. Stoltenberg. The funeral of Hans A. Stoltenberg was held this morning at 10 o'clock from the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Spilger, 811 Third avenue. Rev. P. J. Rolf of the German Evangelical church officiated at the services which were private. The pallbearers were: C. P. Gaetger, John Spilger, Sr., John Spilger, Jr., Otto Gaetger, John Duke and E. Stevenson. Interment was made in Chippewa cemetery.

G. O. P. DESIRES TOWN PRIMARIES

Pass Resolution Asking Board to Eliminate Old Time Caucus.

A resolution petitioning the town board for republican primaries in the future township elections was passed last evening by the republican city committee at a meeting held in the Daily Union office. The resolution also contained an invitation to the women of the township to assist the G. O. P. in its attempt to "come back." This document will be sent to the chairman of the town board, Supervisor William Tretz.

Such a resolution has been under consideration by the republican committee for many years, because the party has become dissatisfied with the caucus method of nominating candidates for office. Now, since the women are voters, the primary is needed more than ever, the women being largely unable to take part in the caucus. This is the main reason that the committee passed the primary resolution last evening.

Under the law of this state, primaries may be held, providing the consent of the town board is obtained. It is then up to this body to decide whether the republicans shall nominate candidates by caucus or by primary.

MANY DECREES OF DIVORCE GIVEN

Judge R. W. Olmsted Passes on Matrimonial Difficulties in Court.

Many matrimonial tangles were up yesterday afternoon and this morning before Judge R. W. Olmsted. Eight divorce cases were heard by the court and decrees were granted in the following actions: Julia DeSmet vs. H. M. DeSmet, statutory; H. M. DeSmet vs. Walter Silvertsen

vs. Natalie Silvertsen, desertion; W. E. Whiteside, attorney; Fredia Faurate vs. E. C. Faurate, drunkenness; W. E. Whiteside, attorney; Mrs. Ida E. Moore vs. Claude F. Moore, statutory; Olga Mills vs. Lucius A. Mills, desertion; J. B. and J. L. Oakleaf, attorneys; Blanche Sills vs. Bert Sills, desertion; J. B. and J. L. Oakleaf, attorneys; Maude Carstens vs. Henry F. Carstens, drunkenness; H. M. DeSmet, attorney; Pearl Pinson vs. Robert Pinson, statutory; C. J. Schroeder, attorney.

BUSINESS MEN TO INSPECT FACTORY

Plow Shops and Stove Works to Be Visited by Local Association Next Tuesday.

Members of the local Business Men's association will make an inspection tour of the plow shops and stove works next Tuesday afternoon. This tour will be the first of a series, the idea being to inform the Rock Island business men as to the extent of the industrial activities of the city.

The trip will be in charge of Secretary G. H. Kingsbury and the start from the Safety building will be made in the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Similar tours will be repeated every Tuesday afternoon until all the industries of Rock Island have been visited.

PRESENT OFFICIALS FAVORED BY PONTIAC

At a recent meeting of the Pontiac camp of the Modern Woodmen of America order, the present administration was favored and the delegates instructed to support Talbot, McNamara, Tanner and Aleschier. The Pontiac club has about 500 members.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS PLAN A CELEBRATION

St. Paul lodge No. 107, Knights of Pythias, is making elaborate preparations for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the forming of the order, which is to be observed Feb. 19. Special ritualistic exercises will be held and there will be interior and exterior decorating, in which blue, yellow and red lights, emblematic of the order, will be used. It is probable that the entire lodge will attend a church service Sunday, Feb. 15 or 22.

TRIAL CALENDAR FIXED BY JUDGE

February Term of County Court Will Open Tuesday Morning—Jury to Report.

A trial calendar for the February term of county court was arranged by Judge B. S. Bell this morning at a meeting of the bar association. The list will be taken up Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at which time a jury will report.

The calendar follows:

Tuesday, Feb. 10.

Charles S. Kerns, receiver, vs. Elizabeth King.

John McCaffrey vs. Bert Spencer.

W. R. Moyers vs. Deere & Mansour company.

James E. Dele vs. Henry E. Burris et al.

J. C. Jacquot & Company vs. B. F. Kluger.

People's Savings Bank & Trust company vs. F. S. and Elizabeth Fearnheily et al.

Wednesday, Feb. 11.

Fred R. Young vs. A. G. Abraham.

Kingsman Milling company vs. Pappas & Son.

George Gould et al. vs. J. G. Gordan.

Friday, Feb. 13.

Miles Collins vs. Ida M. Blankenburg.

Willis & Sons vs. Reynolds Pattern & Machine company.

Gray Lumber company vs. Deere & Mansour company.

R. I. Sash & Door works vs. Gust Ed Construction company.

Monday, Feb. 16.

Woodford Distilling company vs. Joseph Larson.

T. E. Lundall vs. C. J. Peterson et al.

R. B. Quinlan vs. Assured National Mutual Fire insurance company.

Postal Telegraph company vs. Midland Motor company.

Tuesday, Feb. 17.

John Edwards vs. Norton & Smith Land company.

D. T. Pinner vs. Assured National Mutual Fire insurance company.

James Mille vs. Tony Jujas.

Chicago Builders Specialty company vs. Joseph Ed.

CLUBS WISH TOWNSHIP GOVERNMENT CHANGED

A joint committee from the commercial clubs of Rock Island, Moline

and East Moline has been appointed to study the township government. It is understood that these clubs wish the abolishment of this kind of government and the substitution of three county commissioners in its stead.

A meeting of the committee will be held at the Moline club Feb. 18.

REXDALE TO TALK AT HIGH SCHOOL

Rock Island's Noted Entertainer in Promise of a Rare Treat.

Next Wednesday evening in the Rock Island high school auditorium Robert Rexdale will deliver an illustrated lecture on "Alaska, the Wonderland of America." He will precede the lecture by an author's reading from his own book of verse.

The entertainment is under school auspices and an evening of rare pleasure is looked forward to. "Alaska" is a subject of timely interest and Mr. Rexdale's travelogue in the land of totem-poles will be beautifully illustrated on the screen. Tickets are already in demand and all departments of the high school are interested in the success of the undertaking.

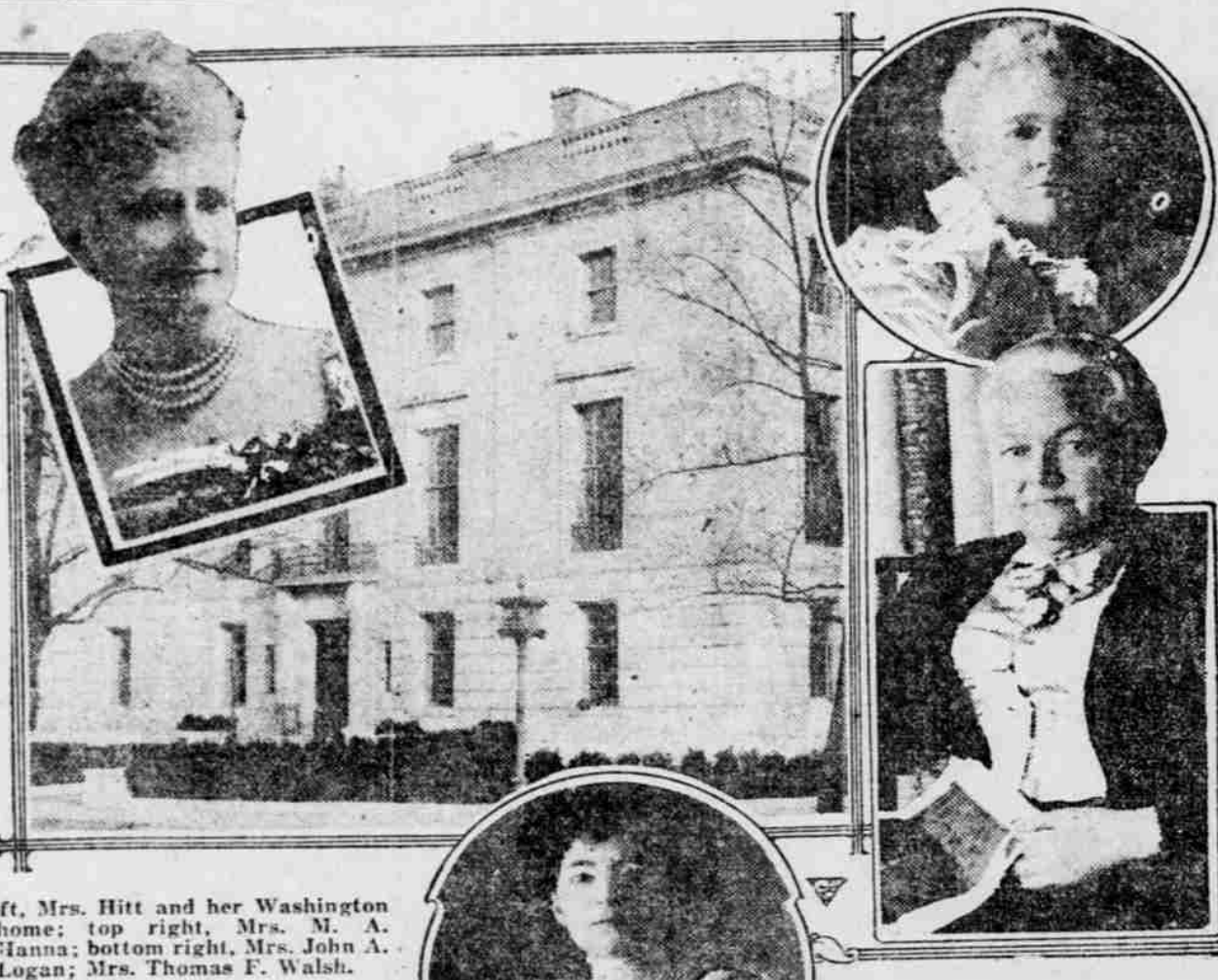
HUNTOON REPORTS BIG COLLECTIONS

Taxes Come Into Local Office at Rate of \$2,000 a Day—Making Good Record.

On an average of \$2,000 has been collected in 11 days by John Huntoon, township collector, breaking all former records for this time. The total collected up to Feb. 6 is \$20,184.11 of which \$13,250.68 is real estate tax and \$6,933.43 personal tax. The total for the same period last year was \$10,820.29 which is about half of the amount collected in 1914.

According to reports this city is doing much better than Moline, as the best receipts for one day in that city was \$2,000, while Rock Island has averaged that amount every day since the office was opened.

RICH WIDOWS ARE ABOUT SOCIALLY SUPREME IN WASHINGTON



Left, Mrs. Hitt and her Washington home; top right, Mrs. M. A. Hanna; bottom right, Mrs. John A. Logan; Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh.

Washington, Feb. 7.—The rich widows of Washington have come into their own socially. They are courted, flattered, deferred to, in fact, are well high supreme. Some of the finest houses in the city are presided over by widows, and invitations to the functions which these women give are eagerly sought and as much prized as those to the homes of cabinet officials, senators or ambassadors. They constitute the bulwark of what is known in Washington as "resident society."

A majority of these women are widows of men who came to Washington to serve their country in one capacity or another. On the list are Mrs. Marcus A. Hanna, formerly of Ohio; Mrs. John A. Logan, Mrs. Stephen B. Elkins and Mrs. John B. Henderson. The husbands of all these women were senators. Mrs. John Hay and Mrs. Thomas F. Bayard, also social leaders of the present day, are widows of former secretaries of state. Mrs. R. E. Hitt is the widow of a former Illinois congressman; Mrs. William F. Draper the widow of a former ambassador to Italy.

Among the women whose husbands were not in the government service, but who are now playing the role of social leaders, are Mrs. Richard F. Townsend and Mrs. Thomas F. Walsh. Mrs. Townsend is a wealthy Pennsylvania widow who has lived in Washington many years. She is called the "apple of the eye" of the late senator from West Virginia. Although she is now out of mourning, Mrs. Elkins has

shown little disposition to resume the role of hostess, in which she was so successful during her husband's lifetime.

Mrs. Marcus A. Hanna recently has been joined by her daughter, Mrs. Medill McCormick, a dashing young matron, who has "gone in" so actively for suffrage that she has accepted the chairmanship of the congressional committee of the National Association for Woman Suffrage. The office is by no means a sinecure, and it will necessitate Mrs. McCormick's presence in Washington much of the time. Society will thus have an opportunity to meet once more the young woman who, as Miss Ruth Hanna, was one of its greatest belles. Mrs. Hanna enjoys entertaining.

Two much-loved widows who recall Civil war memories are Mrs. John A. Logan and Mrs. Phil Sheridan. Mrs. Logan's residence, Calumet place, is this year leased to Secretary and Mrs. Bryan. It is one of the most famous houses in Washington, with an unsurpassed view of the city, and is filled with mementoes of the famous general, who was both soldier and statesman. Objects d'art picked up during Mrs. Logan's travels add to the interest of the mansion. Mrs. Logan is still active and is seldom missing from the list of patronesses of philanthropies. A famous hostess, her advice is much sought on matters of precedent, and her knowledge of Washington, both present and past, is an invaluable guide to younger women desirous of social laurels.

CITY SUFFERS IN GRASP OF WORST STORM OF SEASON

Sudden Drop in Thermometer Follows Blizzard Which Blocks Streets.

MANY TRAINS DELAYED

Telephone and Telegraph Companies Suffer—Heavy Snow May Damage Ice Harvest.

Rock Island suffered last night in the grasp of the worst storm of the present winter season, the blizzard commencing early in the evening and not ending its fury until early this morning. Railroad trains on all lines were more or less delayed today as a result of the storm, the street railway lines of the tri-cities were hindered in traffic during the night, while the telephone and telegraph companies experienced some trouble, though not to any great extent in fallen lines and poles.

Only Half Inch of Snow. Some surprise will be occasioned by the official snow fall report from Davenport, Forecaster J. M. Sherier of the government station stating that only .35 of an inch of snow fell during the night, this of course being the average precipitation. Many thought that it would total two or three inches, but the wind had blown it into drifts, making the fall appear much deeper than is really the case.

Snow May Damage Ice.

There is plenty of coal in the tri-cities to meet the demand as no shortage of any kind has been experienced here. The coal dealers are therefore smiling today as business has somewhat picked up within the past few days; but not so with the ice men. It is true that the weather is sufficiently cold to produce thick ice, but the snow has been so heavy that some worry has been caused. The ice dealers are commencing to wonder if they are destined to pass through the season without an ice crop, for even if the present cold spell continues for a week or 10 days longer, there may be some possibility of a good freeze; but every cold spell this winter has been followed by sudden warm weather and dealers are therefore at a loss to know whether or not they will again be disappointed. Seven degrees above zero was the coldest register of last night.

PERSONAL POINTS

E. B. Taylor of Cambridge was in the city yesterday on business.

Charles Johnson of Aledo left for home yesterday after a week's visit with relatives here.

Phil Mitchell leaves tonight for Chicago, where he will join his son, Leon, who has been in the east. Mrs. Mitchell will also join the party at Chicago.

Mrs. Frank Nicholson of Kansas City, Mo., is visiting her brother, Arthur Staubach and Mrs. Staubach, 1218 Fifth and a half avenue. Mr. Staubach, who has been ill for the past three months, is improving nicely.

MANY TAKE WATERTOWN HOSPITAL EXAMINATIONS

During this week 18 people took the examination for attendants at the Watertown hospital for the insane. Besides these, six were examined for their ability as physicians. These candidates will either be given positions at once or be placed on the eligible list.

NEW SCHOOL TO OPEN AT WATERTOWN SOON

Sessions will begin in the new McKinley public school at Watertown Monday morning. A delay in the completion of this school was caused by the division of the Watertown and East Moline districts. Since the consolidation of the two, however, the building has been finished quickly.

For the last few months classes have been held in the Modern Woodmen hall and the basement of the Methodist church.

G. A. R. Attention. There is to be a special meeting of the G. A. R. at Memorial hall, Monday, Feb. 9. Business of special importance concerning the post is to be transacted.

Every member is requested to be present.

H. C. HARRIS, Commander.

Corn Farm

200 acres, 2½ miles from town, land practically level, heavy black soil from three to five feet deep on clay; 140 acres under cultivation; all can be cultivated except 15 or 20 acres which is excellent Blue Grass pasture. Good house, all other improvements fair. Owner of same must sell this spring, will sacrifice this \$190 per acre farm for \$165 per acre. Can give possession March 1, 1914. Call or write at once for further information.

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